

Washington, DC – A resolution introduced by Reps. Bruce Braley (D-Iowa) and John Kline (R-MN) honoring the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima passed the US House of Representatives today by a unanimous vote of 421-0. The Resolution honors the US Marine Corps and all members of the Armed Forces who so bravely fought and defended our country. Braley's father, Byard Braley, landed on Iwo Jima 65 years ago today. Kline, a 25-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps, is the lead Republican cosponsor of the resolution.

"My father was a teenager when he landed on Iwo Jima," Braley said. "One of his neighbors, Harold Keller, was involved in the famous flag-raising on Mount Suribachi. They, like millions of Americans, fought bravely for freedom and equality and the integrity of our nation. I'm proud to represent a state and country that cherishes those same ideals, 65 years later. It's important that we take this opportunity to honor all the brave men and women who have defended our country and it's important today to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice on Iwo Jima."